GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department - Lifting of Ban on bifurcation and re-organization of the Gram Panchayats in the State - Orders - Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (E&R) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 97 Dated: 27-11-2025

Read the following:-

1. G.O.Rt.No.1634, PR&RD (Pts.IV) Dept., dt.12.10.2001.
2. G.O.Ms.No.542, PR&RD (Pts.IV) Dept., dt.03.12.2007.
3. G.O.Ms.No.167 PR&RD(E&R) Dated:18.11.2019.
4. G.O.MS.No.601 PR&RD(E&R) Dated: 05-03-2020.
5. From the Commissioner, PR&RD, Lr No.2997668/CPR/Elections/2025, dt.22.10.2025.

ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, orders were issued imposing complete ban on further bifurcation of Gram Panchayats except in the scheduled areas, where due to smaller habitations and distances there can be justification which may not apply to rest of the State.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, the Andhra Pradesh Gram Panchayat (Declaration of villages) Rules 2007 have been issued.

3. In the reference 3rd read above, Government lifted the ban imposed on bifurcation and re-constitution of Gram Panchayats in the State.

4. In the reference 4th read above, to begin with process of conducting 1st ordinary elections to the Panchayat Raj Institutions, the Government had imposed ban on re-organization of Gram Panchayats i.e., up-gradation of Gram Panchayats as Nagar Panchayats/Municipalities, merger of Gram Panchayats into neighbouring Municipalities/Municipal Corporations, in addition to the ban on bifurcation and reconstitution of Gram Panchayats issued in the reference 1st read above.

5. The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department, in his letter 5th read above requested the Government to lift the ban imposed on bifurcation of GPs and Merger of GPs into ULBs issued in the reference 4th read above.

6. In the circumstances reported above, Government have examined the matter in detailed and have decided to lift the ban imposed on bifurcation and reconstitution of Gram Panchayats in the State vide reference, 4th read above.

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7. Accordingly, the Government hereby order that the ban imposed on bifurcation and re-constitution of Gram Panchayats in the State is lifted, till further orders.

8. The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj and Rural Development, AP., Guntur shall take further necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development, AP., Guntur.

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The MA&UD (G) Department.
The Law Department.
The PR&RD(Pts.I,II,III and Mandal.I & II/General) Department.
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